

ABSTRACT

A child safety warning device alerts a driver of the presence of a child within the vehicle after the driver has turned off the vehicle ignition. The child safety warning device is compact and can be easily transported between vehicles. Further, the simple design of the child safety warning device enables the device to be produced at a relatively low cost when compared with other child safety warning devices. Specifically, the child safety warning device includes a portable housing, a recording device located within the housing, a connector coupled to the housing and adapted to fit within a vehicle socket, and a switching device coupled to the recording device and the connector. The switching device provides a signal to the recording device indicative of an ignition state of a vehicle. The recording device plays back a prerecorded message in response to the signal provided by the switching device to warn the vehicle driver of the presence of a child within the vehicle when the ignition is turned off.